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LETTER

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

This is in response to the "RESPONSE TO MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION," filed June 3, 2002.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.63(d), petitioner has submitted a copy of the executed oath or declaration filed in Application No. 09/377,121, filed August 19, 1999, of which the instant filing is a continuation application. Furthermore, a copy of the decision, mailed March 15, 2001, granting a petition to accord § 1.47(a) status to the prior application has been placed in the file of the present application.

As Rule 1.47(a) status was granted in the prior application, this application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), since notice was provided after the grant of Rule 1.47(a) status in the prior application, the Office is dispensing with the notice provision in this continuation application.

After this decision is mailed, the application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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